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THE LIST OF ABBREVIATION

- 1. Doc. :Document
- 2. FN. :Field Note
- 3. I. :Interview
- 4. S : Syllabus
- 5. LP. :Lesson Plan
- 6. Obv. :Observation

ABSTRACT

WAHYU WIDAYATI. No. 1211202791. English Education Study Program, The Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Widya Dharma University, Klaten, 2016. Thesis: A CASE STUDY OF TEACHING AND LEARNING WRITING OF THE ELEVENTH YEAR STUDENTS OF SMA N 1 CAWAS KLATEN IN ACADEMIC YEAR 2015/2016

The research aims at describing the process of teaching and learning writing of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016, describing the problems of teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016, and describing the solution of the problems of teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.

The strategy of this research is qualitative research. The data are the observation, interview and documentation of the activities in the teaching and learning writing English done by the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas Klaten in academic year 2015/2016. The sources of the data are event, informants and the document related with teaching and learning writing. The technique of collecting the data are observation, interview and documentation. The researcher analyzes data by using interactive model.

After analyzing the data, the researcher finds: 1) The process of teaching and learning English writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N I Cawas Klaten in the academic year 2015/2016 is started from the preparation, opening, main which consist of giving material and evaluating, and closing activities. The teacher uses several methods and media in teaching and learning writing in the classroom. 2) The factors causing the problems are the lack of practice of the students, Teacher's method and media, and the students' behavior. 3) There are some solutions of the teacher to solve the problem. The teacher gives motivation and advice, uses many classroom activities and interesting media and pays attention to the students behavior who have difficulties.

Key words: case study, teaching and learning, writing.

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. The Background of The Study

English is an international language. As an international language, it is very important to be learnt. It is used for communicative or academic purposes. There are many books and other information sources of knowledge are written in English. Regarding of that, people must be able to use English to compete themselves or they will be left from science and technology information. Furthermore, English is one of the keys in international relations because a lot of people in the world are able to communicate in English. Because of the importance of English, the government decided to make English as one of the main subjects to be learnt by the students. Therefore, English is the foreign language that is learned in Indonesia.

In teaching and learning English in Indonesia, a teacher must adjust with the curriculum used nowadays. The curriculum used nowadays has been ruled in *Peraturan Menteri Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan Republik Indonesia* no. 160 in 2014 *tentang Pemberlakuan Kurikulum Tahun 2006 dan Kurikulum 2013* as follows:

> "Satuan pendidikan dasar dan pendidikan menengah yang melaksanakan Kurikulum 2013 sejak semester pertama tahun pelajaran 2014/2015 kembali melaksanakan Kurikulum Tahun 2006 mulai semester kedua tahun pelajaran 2014/2015 sampai ada ketetapan dari Kementerian untuk melaksanakan Kurikulum 2013" (section 1).

> "Satuan pendidikan dasar dan pendidikan menengah yang telah melaksanakan Kurikulum 2013 selama 3 (tiga) semester tetap menggunakan Kurikulum 2013" (section 2 on the verse 1).

Based on the quotation above, it means that there are 2 curricula that applied together. Some schools that apply curriculum 2013 for 1 semester should be back to curriculum 2006. Furthermore, in the section 4, it is stated that "*Satuan pendidikan dasar dan pendidikan menengah dapat melaksanakan Kurikulum Tahun 2006 paling lama sampai dengan tahun pelajaran* 2019/2020". The curriculum will be suspended until in the academic year 2019/2020. Meanwhile, the school which has been running for three semesters to use curriculum 2013 is asked to use the curriculum 2013.

In curriculum 2013, English becomes a main lesson that must be leant by the students. It is mentioned in Lampiran Peraturan Menteri Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan Nomor 69 Tahun 2013 Tentang Kerangka Dasar Dan Struktur Kurikulum Sekolah Menengah Atas/Madrasah Aliyah that English is categorized as A Subject. A subject is a category of obligated subject that must be learnt in senior high school. The subjects that are included as A subjects are Pendidikan Agama dan Budi Pekerti, Pendidikan Pancasila dan Kewarganegaraan, Bahasa Indonesia, Matematika, Sejarah Indonesia, and Bahasa Inggris. The material of each lesson has been ruled in the content standard. As regulated on Peraturan Menteri Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan No. 64 tentang Standar Isi Pendidikan Dasar dan Menengah section 1 verse 1 in 2013, that Standar Isi untuk Pendidikan Dasar dan Menengah yang selanjutnya disebut Standar Isi mencakup lingkup materi minimal dan tingkat kompetensi minimal untuk mencapai kompetensi lulusan minimal pada jenjang dan jenis pendidikan tertentu.

The content standard for elementary school until senior high school which is called the content standard is to achieve the minimum graduation competence in each grade and kind of education particularly. Furthermore, here is the meaning of content standard which is attached in *Peraturan Menteri Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan* No. 64 *tentang Standar Isi Pendidikan Dasar dan Menengah* in 2013, that *Standar isi merupakan kriteria mengenai ruang lingkup materi dan tingkat kompetensi peserta didik untuk mencapai kompetensi lulusan pada jenjang dan jenis pendidikan tertentu*.

The materials and competence level are covered in the content standard. The content standard in each education level must be defined to every subject. The content standard in learning English is mastering four skills. The skills of learning English for senior high school consist of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. In other words, the students study English by mastering the four basic skills in English. They are listening, speaking, reading and writing. It is appropriate to *Peraturan Menteri Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan Republik Indonesia* No. 59 in 2014 *Tentang Kurikulum 2013 Sekolah Menengah Atas/Madrasah Aliyah* that "... rumusan Standar Isi (SI) Bahasa Inggris yang dikembangkan berdasarkan dimensi keterampilan saja (rumusan diarahkan pada pengembangan keterampilan mendengarkan, berbicara, membaca, menulis) ..."

The first is mastering listening skill. This skill concerns with the sound that they have to listen. It is the ability to understand what they listen to. Nation and Newton (2009: 3) state that in listening, the learners' main focus and interest should be on understanding, and gaining knowledge or enjoyment what they listen to. The second is mastering speaking skill. In this step, they try to practice what they listen, write and read orally. Nation and Newton (2009: 111) point that all kinds of activities used are to draw on explicit knowledge of the language in their spoken production. Then, the students should be able to pronounce the words correctly. Derwing and Munro (2005) in Nation (2009: 75) state that having a good pronunciation of the language can help in normal communication, particularly intelligibility. The third is mastering reading skill. It can be a means of increasing learners' knowledge of language features and their control of reading strategies (Nation, 2009: 25). Usually they start learning this skill when they study in kindergarten or elementary school. It can be mastered by accustoming to read an English article. The fourth skill is mastering writing skill. It emphasizes the communication of messages and expects the learners gradually to approximate normal writing over a period of time (Nation, 2009: 5). It is not about their handwriting whether it is good or not but their writing quality, how they convey the messages in their handwriting and also how they construct their sentence structure. In other words, the most important is the legibility of the handwriting to the quality of the ideas and their organisation. Those are four skills which should be mastered by the learners.

As a part of English skill, writing should be mastered by the learners as the teaching goal stated. The students must be able to express their ideas into a writing in order to behave the students to be critical thinking. It is important for the students to communicate their messages or express their minds and ideas through writing because expressing the ideas and conveying the messages are not only done by speaking. The most important in learning writing is the learners would be able to plan and rethink what they want to communicate in written form. Students need to know how to write letter, article, how to tell their experience and so on through writing. Those are the importance of learning writing as a language skill.

Harsyaf et al (2009: 4), state that writing skill is an important language skill because it is a productive skill that shows how skillful the students are in writing and discovers the talented students in this field. In addition, writing is a way that a student can express his ideas or thoughts on the paper. Moreover, recently people prefer the written form of communication in accessing information than the oral communication. It is clear that writing is important but the teaching writing not successfully yet.

In fact, teaching English writing is not easy. The learners repine that writing English is difficult. It is because there are many differences between their native languages with English such as the spelling and the rules of grammar in English. If the learners have lack of spelling skills, they will avoid to use words that are difficult to spell. The other difficulties are some learners are able to say what they want to write but have difficulty in putting it into written form. They have problems in translating their ideas into text. Some learners can do this but very slow. So, they have lack of fluency in turning ideas into text.

According to Richards and Renandya (2002: 303) writing is most difficult skill for L2 learners to master. The difficulty lies not only in generating and organizing ideas, but also in translating these ideas into readable text. Moreover, the difficulty of the foreign language learners to write is they have to pay attention on format, sentence structure, vocabulary, punctuation, and spelling.

The punctuation is also a common problem for the learners. They usually forget to add punctuation in their composition. For example, they do not write a full stop mark (.) which should be placed at the end of a declarative sentence. It might be a little mistake but it must be paid attention by the teacher so that the learners are able to create a composition perfectly.

Through the pre-observation in SMA N 1 Cawas, the researcher found that the students have difficulties in learning writing. They have lack of idea to write. They open their book again and again to find how to compose although the teacher has explained the materials. The students discuss what they should write down. They also talk about what the other has written down so they can cheat the ideas to get their own ideas. Sometimes, they cheat to each other so they write the same composition. Indeed, they use internet to write a composition. They copy an article in the internet and write it down to be collected to their teacher. Those are the students did in a writing class. It means that they have a serious problem in writing.

Based on the background above the writer conducts a case study. Case study is a study for investigating a phenomenon. Here, the phenomenon is the teaching and learning of English writing. It means that the writer wants to investigate the teaching and learning of English writing process. Furthermore, the writer conducted of research paper entitled *A Case Study of Teaching and Learning Writing of the Eleventh Year Students of SMA N 1 Cawas Klaten in Academic Year 2015/2016*.

B. The Reason for Choosing the Topic

The reasons why the writer chooses this title are:

- Writing is one of the important skills that must be mastered by Senior High School students but the students still have many difficulties to write down. Whereas, they must master it as the most important skill in order that they have linguistic proficiency.
- 2. An appropriate teaching technique should be provided to cope the difficulties of learning writing. So, the students can understand how to write down their ideas then they can improve their writing skill. By having appropriate teaching method, the objective of teaching and learning will be achieved.
- 3. Writing is an important part of communication. The students must be able to present their ideas in the written form. Having good writing skills allow the students to communicate their message easily and clearly. In job affair, the students need to write an application letter, Curriculum Vitae, resume or many kinds of communication in written form.

C. The Limitation of the Study

Based on the description above, the writer limits the study. The study is focused on:

- The process of teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.
- The factors which cause the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.

3. The solution to solve the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.

D. The Problem of the Study

In this research, the writer would like to present the problem of the study that can be formulated as follows:

- 1. How is the process of the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016?
- 2. What are the factors which cause the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016?
- 3. What are the solutions to solve the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016?

E. The Aim of the Study

The aims of the study are as follows:

- 1. To describe the process of teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.
- To describe the factors which cause the problems in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016?
- To describe the solution to solve the problems that found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.

F. The Use of the Study

The researcher has the use of the study that can be classified as follows:

1. Theoretical Use:

The study can be used to enrich the knowledge of teaching writing theory in senior high school.

- 2. Practical Use:
 - a. The study can be used to give description of the students and the teacher activities during the teaching and learning writing process in the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016.
 - b. The study can be used to recommend the teacher to improve the technique of teaching writing in senior high school.
 - c. The study can be used to overcome problems found in learning English writing by the students.

G. The Clarification of the Key Terms

To give clear understanding about technical terms in the title, the writer would like to clarify the definition of the terms as follows:

1. Case Study

According to Yin (2009: 1) case study is one of the research methods related with the social sciences. Commonly, case study is a proper strategy in a research related to the question of how or why, if the researcher only has a little chance to control the research events, and when the research lie in the contemporary phenomenon in the real life. Sutopo (2006: 137) states that case study is giving description about the condition of a case with the reality of the situation in the field of the study. In this research, case study is one of the research methods that give description about the condition of a case with the reality of the situation in the process of teaching and learning English writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas Klaten.

2. Teaching and Learning

Teaching is guiding and facilitating learning, enabling the learner to learn, setting the condition for learning (Brown, 2000: 7).

Learning is acquiring or getting of a knowledge of a subject or a skill by study, experience or instruction (Brown, 2000: 7).

In this study, teaching and learning is guiding and facilitating learning, enabling the learners to learn in setting the condition for learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas Klaten in academic year 2015/2016.

3. Writing

Harsyaf el at (2009:3) say that writing is transforming thoughts into language; it means that we need to think about the content of our writing first and then arrange the ideas using appropriate language (e.g. grammar and vocabulary).

Meanwhile, Nunan (2003: 88) states that writing is the mental work of inventing ideas, thinking about how to express them, and organizing them into statements and paragraph that will be clear to reader.

In this study, writing means the mental activity of inventing ideas, thinking about how to express them, and organizing them into statements and paragraph which use appropriate language (e.g. grammar and vocabulary) of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas Klaten in academic year 2015/2016.

H. The Organization of the Study

The give clear understanding about the content, the writer would like to clarify the terms. The study consists of five chapters as follows:

Chapter I deals with introduction. It consists of the background of the study, the reasons for choosing the topic, the limitation of the study, the statement of the problem, the aim of the study, the use of the study, the clarification of the key terms, and the organization of the study.

Chapter II deals with review of related literature consisting of the meaning of writing, the function and purpose of writing, the writing technique and the teaching and learning writing in senior high school.

Chapter III deals with the research method. It consists of the meaning of research method, the strategy of the research, the data and the source of data, the technique of collecting the data, and the technique of analyzing the data.

Chapter IV deals with the result of the study. It consists of the analysis of the data and the discussion of the findings.

Chapter V deals with conclusion, and suggestion.

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

In this chapter, the researcher discuss the conclusion, and the suggestion of teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas Klaten in academic year 2015/2016. The discussion is as follows.

A. Conclusion

After the researcher analyzes the result of observation, interview with the informants, and document of teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016, the writer can get the information about the teaching and learning writing. In this discussion, the researcher draws conclusions concerning with the teaching and learning writing skill of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016 based on the problem stated. They are (1) How is the process of the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016? (2) What are the factors which cause the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016? (3) What are the solutions to solve the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016? (3) What are the solutions to solve the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016? (3) What are the solutions to solve the problems found in the teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas in academic year 2015/2016? (3)

Based on the analysis of English teaching and learning writing in the eleventh year students of SMA N I Cawas Klaten, the writer concludes that the teaching and learning writing in the eleventh year students of SMA N I Cawas Klaten is as follow:

1. Teaching and Learning Writing Process

The process of teaching and learning English writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N I Cawas Klaten in the academic year 2015/2016 is started from the preparation until evaluation. In preparation, the teacher prepares the material in lesson plan before teaching writing. Lesson plan is arranged based on syllabus. The teacher arranges the sequence of activities starting from opening, main and closing activities. In the opening activity, the teacher greets the students and the teacher checks the students' absence. In main activity, the teacher uses some methodology and media in teaching and learning writing so the students feel fun and interested in studying English. In the closing activity, the teacher uses evaluation to measure the students' understanding about material.

2. The Factors Which Cause the Problems

In teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas, the teacher and the students get obstacles in the classroom. Based on the observation and interview, the factors caused the problems are the lack of practice of the students, Teacher's method and media and the students' behavior.

3. The Solution of the Teacher to Solve the Problems

The teacher's solution to solve the problem in teaching and learning writing of the eleventh year students of SMA N 1 Cawas is the

teacher the teacher gives motivation and advices to inactive the students, the teacher uses many classroom activities and interesting media, so the students feel comfortable to join the lesson, and the teacher pays attention to the students behavior that seem do not take the material easily, so she would observes what she want to do with them. It is to make them be able to understand every material.

B. Suggestion and Recommendation

In this point of discussion, the researcher would like to give suggestion for both the teachers and the students.

1. To teacher

The teacher should always motivate the students to improve their willingness to study harder, improve their self-confident and ability of writing. It is better for the teacher to use more creative media and various interesting activities in teaching and learning process. So, the activities are not to be monotone. The teacher should ask the students to practice writing more often. So, habituating to practice more, the students can enrich their ability such as vocabularies, spelling, translation as well as tenses.

2. To students

The students should be more active to study and practice their four language skills, especially in writing. They have to look for the difficult words in dictionary to enrich their vocabulary, and practicing English at school and at home to master English ability. It is better for the students to control themselves, not to keep talking during the lesson, so they can pay more attention to the lesson.

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